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In re patent application of:

Masaki HASHIMURA, et al.

Serial No.: 10/601,310   Group Art Unit: 2818

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For: SEMICONDUCTOR ELEMENT AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME

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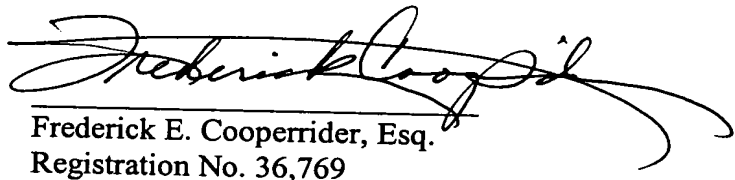
EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.

	AFTER AMENDMENT	PREV. PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	FEE DUE
Total Claims	30 -	29	= 1	x $50.00	$ 50.00
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TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT $ 50.00

A check in the amount of $50.00 to cover the excess claim fees is included herein. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully Submitted,

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated November 25, 2005, please amend the above-identified Application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper. New claim 30 is added. No new matter has been added.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.